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together the two amendments so that they have to be read in conjunction, and there is no flat-out exemption simply because you're an employer with one or more related employees; that is you may still be subject to the act if you have six or more unrelated employees. All it does is tie those two sections together and I think Senator Bromm is agreeable to that. I think we got the language right, Senator Bromm. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and, Senator Beutler, I...I'm going to support the amendment. I do want to...for some reason I real...I have real trouble reading double negatives, and I'm reading your language and, basically, when I insert it in, it says the act shall not apply to any employer of any number of related employees engaged in agricultural pursuits who does not meet the requirements of subsection (3). So if they meet the requirements of subsection (3), then they are exempt, and you're attempting to tie that to make that clearer with this amendment, is that correct? Okay, indicated yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR BROMM: Okay. I support the amendment, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Beutler, you are recognized to close on your amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Kristensen, the amendment does as I explained, and it is hard to read, but I certainly have no hidden intent, and if Senator Bromm, on reflection, doesn't think it does what I say it does, I'm certainly willing to withdraw it, but I think it reads right. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the Beutler amendment. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay.

SENATOR SCHIMEK PRESIDING

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